

**NIST Automatic Content Extraction (ACE07)**  
***Pilot Evaluation of the Entity Translation Task***  
**JANUARY-MARCH 2007 Evaluation Registration Agreement Form**

To participate in the **ACE07 - Entity Translation Task** this registration form must be filled out in its entirety and returned to NIST by the registration deadline of **January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007**.

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The following are **terms of participation** in the ACE07 - Entity Translation Evaluation:

- On receiving the evaluation data (**January 29, 2007**) the registered organization will process the entire test set in accordance with the Entity Translation Evaluation Plan (<http://www.nist.gov/speech/ace/ace07/doc>), and return the system output files to NIST by the end of the evaluation period (**February 09, 2007**) in order to be considered valid and on time.
- Each organization will be required to write a system description paper describing the system(s) evaluated. These papers will be due at NIST **February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007**, and will be made available to all participants.
- The registered organization understands that they are required to be represented at the follow-up Evaluation Workshop to be held in the Baltimore/Washington DC area on or around **March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2007**. The organization's representative must be prepared to openly discuss all aspects of the system(s) evaluated.
- The registered organization understands that the evaluation data is protected and cannot be redistributed.

The following are **terms of publishing** the NIST Entity Translation evaluation results:

- Your organization agrees that the sponsoring organizations (U.S. Government and their designees) will be permitted to publish your results without anonymity or further permission in the ACE Proceedings, ACE Website, and relevant publications that the sponsoring organizations choose.
- Your organization understands that, although the evaluation is open to all wishing to participate, results released prior to official publication by NIST are only to be discussed within the group of registered participants and representatives of supporting government agencies.
- Your organization agrees to not publicly compare its results with the results of other participants, such as stating rank ordering or score difference. Your organization is free to do what they wish with their own results, but may neither redistribute nor publish results from another organization without that organization's explicit permission. However, organizations are encouraged to reference the ACE website and official ACE evaluation publications in their publications.

NIST serves to coordinate the ACE evaluations. These tests are designed for local implementation by each participant. Only their results are returned to NIST for scoring. The reported results are not to be construed, or represented, as endorsement of any participant's system, or as official findings on the part of NIST or the U.S. Government.

Organization Affiliation (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Email addresses to receive the evaluation data (**please print**):

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(By signing and returning this form to NIST you are registering your organization as a participant in the NIST ACE07 – Entity Translation evaluation, and acknowledging that you have read and will abide by the protocols as described here and in the official evaluation plan.)